<u>IN THE CLAIMS</u>:

Please cancel Claims 1, 3, 4, 16, 18 19, 46 and 47 without prejudice or disclaimer of subject matter and amend the claims as shown below. The claims, as pending in the subject application, read as follows:

1. to 11. (Canceled)

12. (Currently Amended) A data transfer processing apparatus which controls data transfer in a device, comprising:

a registration unit that registers reply destination information indicating ~~a first reply destination of electronic mail corresponding to a first one of a plurality of statuses of said device and a second reply destination of electronic mail corresponding to a second one of the plurality of statuses of said device which is different from the first one of the plurality of statuses of said device, the first reply destination and the second reply destination being different from each other and being different from a source of electronic mail~~ each of a plurality of reply destinations, the plurality of reply destinations being different from each other and corresponding to a respective plurality of statuses of the device;

a status obtaining unit that obtains status information about one of the plurality of statuses of said device;

a message obtaining unit that obtains a message according to the status information obtained by said status obtaining unit;

a transmission data generation unit that generates transmission data according to the message obtained by said message obtaining unit, according to destination information indicating a destination of electronic mail, and according to the reply destination information indicating one of the ~~first reply destination and the second reply destination~~ plurality of reply destinations corresponding to the status information obtained by said status obtaining unit, wherein the generated transmission data includes the destination information and the reply destination information indicating one of the ~~first reply destination and the second reply destination~~ plurality of reply destinations corresponding to the status information obtained by said status obtaining unit, the reply destination indicated by the reply destination information being a destination for a reply to the electronic mail; and

an electronic mail transmission unit that transmits as electronic mail the transmission data generated by said transmission data generation unit to the destination.

13. (Currently Amended) The data transfer processing apparatus according to claim 12, further comprising:

a data generation unit that generates data that causes a web browser of an external apparatus to display a setting screen, the setting screen being for setting the destination information and the first and second reply destination information;

a data transmission unit that transmits the data generated by said data generation unit to the external apparatus via a network; and

a reception unit that receives the destination information and the ~~first and second~~ reply destination information set with the setting screen from the external apparatus via the network,

wherein said registration unit registers the ~~first and second~~ reply destination information received by said reception unit.

14. (Currently Amended) The data transfer processing apparatus according to claim 12, further comprising a storage unit that stores the ~~first and second~~ reply destination information registered by said registration unit.

15. (Previously Presented) The data transfer processing apparatus according to claim 12, wherein said data transfer processing apparatus is a network board connected to a printer.

16. to 26. (Canceled)

27. (Currently Amended) A device that communicates with an external apparatus, comprising:

a registration unit that registers reply destination information indicating a first reply destination of electronic mail corresponding to ~~a first one of a plurality of statuses of said device and a second reply destination of electronic mail corresponding to a second one of the plurality of statuses of said device which is different from the first one of the plurality of statuses of said device, the first reply destination and the second reply~~

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~~destination being different from each other and being different from a source of electronic~~ ~~mail~~ each of a plurality of reply destinations, the plurality of reply destinations being different from each other and corresponding to a respective plurality of statuses of the device;

a status obtaining unit that obtains status information about one of the plurality statuses of said device;

a message obtaining unit that obtains a message according to the status information obtained by said status obtaining unit;

a transmission data generation unit that generates transmission data according to the message obtained by said message obtaining unit, according to destination information indicating a destination of electronic mail, and according to the reply destination information indicating one of the ~~first reply destination and the second reply destination~~ plurality of reply destinations corresponding to the status information obtained by said status obtaining unit, wherein the generated transmission data includes the destination information and the reply destination information indicating one of the ~~first reply destination and the second reply destination~~ plurality of reply destinations corresponding to the status information obtained by said status obtaining unit, the reply destination indicated by the reply destination information being a destination for a reply to the electronic mail; and

an electronic mail transmission unit that transmits as electronic mail the transmission data generated by said transmission data generation unit to the destination.

28. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 27, further comprising:

a data generation unit that generates data that causes a web browser of an external apparatus to display a setting screen, the setting screen being for setting the destination information and the ~~first and second~~ reply destination information;

a data transmission unit that transmits the data generated by said data generation unit to the external apparatus via a network; and

a reception unit that receives the destination information and the ~~first and second~~ reply destination information set with the setting screen from the external apparatus via the network,

wherein said registration unit registers the ~~first and second~~ reply destination information received by said reception unit.

29. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 27, further comprising a storage unit that stores the ~~first and second~~ reply destination information registered by said registration unit.

30. (Original) The device according to claim 27, wherein said device is a printer.

31. to 37. (Canceled)

38. (Currently Amended) A status notifying method of a device for notification of a status of the device by electronic mail, comprising:

a registration step of registering reply destination information indicating ~~a first reply destination of electronic mail corresponding to a first one of a plurality of statuses of said device and a second reply destination of electronic mail corresponding to a second one of the plurality of statuses of said device which is different from the first one of the plurality of statuses of said device, the first reply destination and the second reply destination being different from each other and being different from a source of electronic mail~~ each of a plurality of reply destinations, the plurality of reply destinations being different from each other and corresponding to a respective plurality of statuses of the device;

a status obtaining step of obtaining status information about one of the plurality statuses of the device;

a message obtaining step of obtaining a message according to the status information obtained in said status obtaining step;

a transmission data generating step of generating transmission data according to the message obtained in said message obtaining step, according to destination information indicating a destination of electronic mail, and according to the reply destination information indicating one of the ~~first reply destination and the second reply destination~~ plurality of reply destinations corresponding to the status information obtained by said status information obtaining step, wherein the generated transmission data includes the destination information and the reply destination information indicating one of the ~~first reply destination and the second reply destination~~ plurality of reply destinations

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corresponding to the status information obtained by said status obtaining step, the reply destination indicated by the reply destination information being a destination for a reply to the electronic mail; and

an electronic mail transmitting step of transmitting as electronic mail the transmission data generated in said transmission data generating step to the destination.

39. (Currently Amended) The status notifying method according to claim 38, further comprising:

a data generating step of generating data that causes a web browser of an external apparatus to display a setting screen, the setting screen being for setting the destination information and the ~~first and second~~ reply destination information;

a data transmitting step of transmitting the data generated in said data generating step to the external apparatus via a network; and

a receiving step of receiving the destination information and the ~~first and second~~ reply destination information set with the setting screen from the external apparatus via the network,

wherein the destination information and the ~~first and second~~ reply destination information received in said receiving step are registered in said registration step.

40. (Currently Amended) The status notifying method according to claim 38, further comprising a storing step of storing the ~~first and second~~ reply destination information registered in the registering step.

41. (Previously Presented) The status notifying method, according to claim 38 wherein said device is a printer.

42. (Canceled)

43. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable storage medium storing a computer-readable program used by a device for notification of a status of the device by electronic mail, said program comprising:

a registration step of registering reply destination information indicating a first reply destination of electronic mail corresponding to ~~a first one of a plurality of statuses of said device and a second reply destination of electronic mail corresponding to a second one of the plurality of statuses of said device which is different from the first one of the plurality of statuses of said device, the first reply destination and the second reply destination being different from each other and being different from a source of electronic mail~~ each of a plurality of reply destinations, the plurality of reply destiantions being different from each other and corresponding to a respective plurality of statuses of the device;

a status information obtaining step of obtaining status information about one of the plurality of statuses of the device;

a message obtaining step of obtaining a message according to the status information obtained in said status obtaining step;

a transmission data generating step of generating transmission data according to the message obtained in said message obtaining step, according to destination

information indicating a destination of electronic mail, and according to the reply

destination information indicating one of the ~~first reply destination and the second reply~~

~~destination~~ plurality of reply destinations corresponding to the status information obtained

by said status obtaining step, wherein the generated transmission data includes the

destination information and the reply destination information indicating one of the ~~first~~

~~reply destination and the second reply destination~~ plurality of reply destinations

corresponding to the status information obtained by said status obtaining step, the reply

destination indicated by the reply destination information being a destination for a reply to

the electronic mail; and

       an electronic mail transmitting step of transmitting as electronic mail the

transmission data generated in said transmission data generating step to the destination.

       44. to 47. (Canceled)